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- 1. The Soviet air base at Legnica (Liegnitz) has been expanded by the appropriation of neighboring farms, and has also been adapted for jet planes which are at present located on the field. There is at least one regiment which has jet planes plus propeller driven fighters and bombers. These latter mentioned planes are used for drawing glider trains. Each glider train is composed of several gliders.
- The gliders are used by paratroopers who are participating in mass jumping exercises held at Soviet airfields located near Legnica.
 Many hundreds of paratroopers sometimes participate in these exercises.
- 3. The Soviet Generals Matwijewski and Barinov have been coming to Legnica more often than before and staying for longer periods of time. Sven Marshal Rokossowski has been seen at Legnica more often. The Marshal and generals are always dressed in their Soviet uniforms when they arrive at the air base. No Polish unit is stationed at Legnica.

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